

House Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for NATURAL RESOURCES

Date: ***January 24, 2018***

Location: ***RM 19***

Convened: ***3:00 PM***

Adjourned: ***3:35 PM***

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Bacon-CH, Fisher-VC, Nielsen-RM, Baudler, Baxter, Bearinger, Breckenridge, Cownie, Huseman, Jacoby, Kerr, Maxwell, Miller, H., Mommsen, Ourth, Prichard, Sexton, Thede, Wills, Zumbach

Absent:

Excused: Representative Steckman

Chairman Bacon called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.

Roll call was read and a quorum was present.

The minutes from the January 22, 2018, were unanimously approved.

A caucus will be held immediately after adjournment.

A presentation was given by Tivon Feeley, with the DNR, and Robin Pruisner, Dept. of Ag., regarding the Emerald Ash Borer and Gypsy Moth invasion in the State of Iowa. An interesting fact is that currently there are 31 states in federal quarantine from Ash trees. In Iowa, 53 counties are now infected, compared to only one county in 2010, totaling over 400,000 acres.

Chair Bacon announced that Dr. John Pauly, Professor at Simpson College, will be giving a presentation on his extensive research regarding Palmer Amaranth invasive plant.

With no further business, Representative Miller moved to arise at 3:35 P.M.

Representative Rob Bacon

Vicki Iverson, Committee Secretary